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## The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 1890.

## TELEGRAMS.

PORTUGAL AND GREAT BRITAIN. Lord Salisbury states that Portugal's reply gives proof of a conciliatory spirit as affording a basis for an amicable settlement.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Russian frigate *Vladimir Monomach*, Captain Dombassoff left Plymouth Sound early on the 30th November for the Pacific Station.

La *Chronique* of Brussels says: Scientific institutions alone, such as the telegraph and railways, will be successful in suppressing slavery in Africa.

THE other day, at Macassar, a shark attracted particular attention in the market place, owing to human remains and pieces of clothing being found inside it when cut open. The fragmentary corpse made up of a skull and bones, found their way to the police office, while the fish, cut in slices to suit consumers, met a ready sale.

THE Band of the A. & S. Highlanders will play at the Officers' Mess, Murray Barracks, this evening, commencing at 8 o'clock. The following will be the programme:—

Overture, "La Garza Lada".....Rosini.  
Valse, "Olivette".....Lowhman.  
Selection, "Olivette" from "Faust".....Andersen.  
Cavalier (for Clarion) from "Faust".....Donizetti.  
Selection, "Reminiscences of Scotland".....Goldrey.

THE following eleven have been selected by the Committee of the Hongkong Cricket Club to represent Hongkong in the match vs. Straits Settlements. Mr. E. J. Coxon has been chosen as Captain by the Team. It is proposed to play the match on Wednesday and Thursday, 22nd and 23rd instant, and the return match on the two following days:—E. J. Coxon (Captain), E. M. Blair, R. E. A. J. Campbell (A. & S. Highlanders), G. S. Coxon, J. J. Bell-Irving, A. J. Leach, Dr. Lawson, Major Miles, R. A. E. M. Maitland, E. A. Ram, T. S. Smith, Reserve: F. Maitland, and Capt. Davidson (A. & S. Highlanders). Umpire: Corporal Clarke, Scores: Messrs. Barton and Atkinson.

THE experiments which have been made with a view to the revival of the lance in the French Army are not regarded as satisfactory, and it has been decided that the project shall be abandoned altogether.

FFRELL'S DRAMATIC, Comedy, and Burlesque Company has opened in Singapore. We notice, Miss Maggie Ford and nearly a dozen other artists compose the crowd. We suppose they will drift around to Hongkong.

EXPERIMENTS with a new explosive called *acetic*, which is to dynamite as 100 to 70, have recently been made in Austria, and are said to have succeeded so well that the invention has been purchased for military purposes exclusively.

THE Spanish Roman Catholics intend, at the Conference of Jurisconsults in Madrid, to put forward the proposition that all disputes which may arise in Europe among the various Governments shall be submitted to the Pope for arbitration in the future.

THE Chinese Pei-yang Squadron, consisting of eleven vessels, under the command of Admiral Ting, will, we are informed, after having had a complete overhaul at the hands of the Dock Company at Kowloon, cruise to Singapore, and after a short stay there call at Manila, on their way back to their Northern quarters at Port Arthur and Wei-hai-wei, near Peking.

SINCE 1882 eighty-two streets have been built, paved and drained in Rome at a cost of \$10,000,000, and 3,000 houses erected in large, modern blocks, where old quarters formerly stood; and five new bridges thrown across the Tiber. In consequence of these improvements the old city has been so changed that the visitor of twenty years ago would hardly recognize it.

MENTION has already been made of the large volume of emigration from Germany and other countries to the Argentine Republic, which holds out all sorts of inducements to newcomers. The fever for emigrating has reached Andalusia and the Balearic provinces, and during the past six months it is said that nearly 50,000 persons have left Spain for Buenos Ayres. Many of these are of the most important classes, and actually believe that in their new homes they will be able to pick up gold and silver from the ground. The Spanish Government is considering the propriety of taking steps to suppress the tide of emigration.

A MEETING of the Legislative Council will be held to-morrow, when the orders of the day will be—

## Financial Minutes.

The reading of the following Bills:—

(a) A Bill entitled "An Ordinance to appoint an additional member or the Sanitary Board."

(b) A Bill entitled "An Ordinance for the Incorporation of the Procureur Général, in Hongkong, of the Society of the Missions Étrangères."

(c) A Bill entitled "An Ordinance to amend the Protection of Women and Girls Ordinance, 1889."

A REPORT has just appeared in some German newspapers of a meeting of Pomeranian agriculturists, held in Stettin some days since, at which the question of the scarcity of farm labourers was discussed. One speaker asserted that there was nothing left for the Pomeranian farmers but to obtain foreign labourers, possibly Chinese. The same statement was made some years ago, but then only encountered ridicule. Speakers having spoken in favour of the importation of Chinese, it was decided to appoint a committee to learn from the Chinese in Berlin upon what terms labourers could be procured from the Celestial Empire. The outcome of the matter will naturally be watched with great interest.

ON Sunday night, a pawnshop in Queen's Road West was robbed in a clever, if not entirely novel, fashion. It stood next door to an empty house, into which the thieves first broke, then, going to the wall dividing the buildings, they pulled out a number of bricks, silently sawed away some boards lining the pawnshop wall, and, getting through, cleared away a large number of pledges. There were two Chinamen asleep in the room, but they were not disturbed, and as the thieves drew the board back over the hole after making their exit, the thief was only discovered when the empty shelves were visited.

By then, of course, the burglars were far away, their only traces being a lot of the more worthless articles which they had left in the untenanted building.

THE *Shanghai Mercury* of the 9th inst. says:—On Monday last the Customs authorities here discovered that an attempt was being made to land a great quantity of Korean ginseng under a fraudulent manifest. Examiner Eckhold proceeded to the godowns of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, where he found 85 packages shipped as "furniture," but which on being examined were found to contain nearly a hundred piculs of the expensive root to which the Chinese attribute such highly valuable medical qualities. The value of the ginseng is estimated at not less than £15,000. It had been brought over by the *Sakiko Maru*, from Nagasaki, we believe, and was waiting to be claimed by the consignees. The Customs authorities have not yet decided whether the ginseng will be regularly seized or not, or whether it will be treated as Government ginseng. The stuff was shipped, we believe, by a Korean Government official, and to-day a Korean dressed in very bright crimson and yellow robes, who has been in Shanghai for some days, turned up and claimed the stuff as his property. He produced a passport from his Government, showing that he was an accredited Government agent. The Customs authorities are greatly perplexed at the find, and have not decided whether the stuff may not after all escape with payment of double duty. The duty on the root varies from 5 mace to 1 candareen, according to quality. The Customs officers are trying to find out if there is anybody else in Shanghai in collusion with the shippers of the ginseng; where it originally came from is not known.

THE simple method of treating drunkenness practiced in Norway and Sweden is reported to be very effective. The inebriate is placed in confinement and fed only with bread soaked in wine, which in eight or ten days creates a positive loathing for strong drink.

A GREAT scandal exists at Bologna in regard to its staple sausage, which have lately been fraudulently made of diseased horse meat, mixed with pork. Foreign importers refused to take such stuff, and the city's brand in this specialty now stands below par.

THE density of the population of India can be learned from the fact that the census just completed shows an aggregate of 260,500,000 souls. Of these 190,000,000 are Hindus, 81,000,000 Mohammedans, 6,500,000 aboriginals, 3,500,000 Buddhists, 2,000,000 Christians, 2,000,000 Sikhs and 1,250,000 Jains. Of the Christians, one-half are Catholics, and the others are divided among various sects. Of this immense number 217,000,000 are unable to read or write. There are 100 different languages spoken, Hindustani coming first with 92,000,000. The most populous cities in India in their order of eminence are Calcutta, Bombay, Madras, Hyderabad and Lucknow.

IN Bali, a correspondent writes that the burning of widows still goes on, notwithstanding treaties with the Netherlands India Government. They are burned along with the corpses of their husbands. The latter's slaves also share the fate of the deceased in case of his holding high rank. Widows both there and in Lombok are sometimes stabbed to death instead. In such cases, the stab is given by a near kinsman; but never by her father or her son. The natives from being accustomed to such scenes, take nothing of it. The treaties are evaded by taking the unhappy women to the funeral pile, where they are stabbed to death beforehand. Corpses may be burned, and the Government has not forbidden stabbing widows to death. A short time ago, three wives of a chief at Bangl were thus offered up. The N. I. Government lacks power to prevent these misdeeds.

THE Peking correspondent of the *N. C. Daily News*, writing on the 24th December, says:—The weather has lately become pleasanter. Excepting when it blows, the winter weather here is very agreeable. The usual dinners, dances, etc., at this season are about to take place. A young German gentleman has arrived to study Chinese, connected, we believe, with the new German Bank. Mr. Krause has arrived from Shanghai to join the German Legation. Our winter gives every promise of being passed pleasantly. The Mongols are beginning to make their appearance. Already the market is pretty well filled with their camels and huts. No game or frozen sheep are yet to be seen, but plenty of butter and cheese. It requires, if not a good digestion, at least the absence of olfactory nerves to stomach the rancid mixtures which are sold under these names. They seem made of the milk of all sorts of animals, and are not free from hairs, and no amount of washing and purifying can free the butter from its rancid disagreeable flavour.

WHILE a head-coolie was in the act of paying off some coolies at the East end, on Saturday night, leaving about nine dollars in cents and one silver dollar in a basket, on the table near by, four fellows made a rush at the table and one of them snatched away the basket of "specie" and took a bee-line westward. At that moment the ubiquitous Sergeant Wiltchell was taking it easy along Queen's Road, and while in a deep state of meditation on the rascality of Hongkong *lan-chais* (rowdies) came full tilt on the fleeing basket-snatcher, who bounded off the burly form of the Police-sergeant as a billiard ball from a cushion, scattering the brazen photos of Queen "Vic" into the road. The cries of *Chong-yey* (thieving) in the rear of the running man convinced Wiltchell that Providence had put another of the thieving fraternity into his willing hands, and so before the "lifer" could rise he had collared him—but with an empty basket, the contents having rolled away all over the scene of the collision, only about a dollar and a half worth of "coppers" being fished out of the mud. Mr. Robinson sentenced the daring but unfortunate thief to six months' hard labor at the Police Court, yesterday morning.

FOR a joke, lick-pittling, nauseous "rot," we fancy that the following extracts from a translation of the chorus sung by the school-children at Mandalay when Prince Albert Victor was there, carries off the *housinger*. It must have made young "Collie and Cuffs" blush, if he could only have understood the grovel. It ran thus:—

Omen of Victory! Light of the sun! Come, let us gaze at the rising sun!  
He travels over the whole earth, and at his coming in all the land there is peace!  
His wisdom is as a thousand rays of the sun, and subdues the whole earth!  
All his enemies fall before his victorious drums and there is peace!

Ruler of armies, at his coming land and water tremble! Destroyed is he to greater glory. The stroke of the engines makes the ocean to tremble.

By his spell distance disappears, and by his will he reaches his goal in a moment in the railway. At the sound of his trumpet the hearts of his enemies tremble! May their escape be difficult!

The glory of the royal grandson is as the sun and fire!

Most honored are we sweet little maids, in that a Prince has visited this land in our day, who is heir to the throne, before whom the whole world trembles, and whose glory is conspicuous with the earth!

The thunderous power and glory of the royal grandson is able to bring a hundred sovereigns into submission! Unequaled is he with his moon like face, made for the worship of maidens from the four quarters of the earth!

Mirror of his grandmother and surrounded by his army, we made reverence him in this assembly as our highest honor!  
May the cold hurt him not in this month, when the royal flowers bloom and the heavy dew fall!

A SWEDEN has discovered a method of tanning leather by electricity. It is said to be much more rapid than the old way, and only half as expensive.

WHILE D. Robbins, a German who described himself as a merchant trading in Wellington Street, was at the Central Market this morning, and just as he was going to pull a dollar out of his pocket to make a purchase, he felt a strange hand also in his pocket, which he at once took hold of. Its possessor was a ragged looking Chinaman standing by his side, making frantic efforts to get away. In the struggle that ensued the bushy-whiskered Tanton found his squat figure sprawling in the slimy walks of the market, and the thief on the point of making off, when a Sikh constable appeared on the scene and arrested the would-be thief. At the Police Court, subsequently, Mr. Wodehouse sentenced the man to six weeks' hard labour, there being also a string of previous convictions against his name.

## SUPREME COURT.

## IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

(Before Mr. A. G. Wise, Acting Puisne Judge.)

## LITIGIOUS PROPERTY OWNERS.

Achmet Ramjahn, broker, sued Oscar Brandt for \$42.15, for ground-rent and rent on a lot of houses. Mr. Hastings appeared for the plaintiff. His case was that in October last the plaintiff and a Chinese partner sold thirteen houses to the defendant for \$8,000. Defendant took them over then, but refused to pay the ground rent, so plaintiff paid it, and now sought to recover it. He also claimed \$22.70 for rent. Defendant purchased the property by directing Ho Tim to pay the plaintiff \$1,000 due to him, and leaving the rest of the money on mortgage for two years.

Plaintiff having given evidence in support of his claim.

Defendant was sworn, and stated that he took the property as it stood—a mass of ruins. It was specially agreed that he should only begin to pay ground-rent from the 1st January, 1890, and that plaintiff should bear all expenses, taxes, etc., until then.

His lordship—I must decide against you on that—I never heard of such an arrangement.

Brandt admitted that it was a peculiar arrangement.

His lordship ultimately gave judgment for the plaintiff for \$22.14 on the claim for ground rent, and \$16.82 for rent, and ordered him to repay \$2.30 to defendant, making the sum recoverable \$36.61, with costs.

## OUR FIRE BRIGADE.

The members of the Fire Brigade turned out this afternoon for their monthly practice, behind the City Hall, the Superintendent, Mr. H. E. Wodehouse, and Mr. Horspool, Assistant Superintendent, being present. The Tytam service was properly tested for the first time, four strong jets being obtained from the lower main, and reaching well above the City Hall. The European members afterwards paraded, and Mr. Wodehouse addressed them at some length. He said:—As this is the first parade we have had this year I think it a good opportunity for calling you together, to pass in review the events of the past year, to consider the position in which the Brigade now is, and to discuss the work to be done in the future. During the past year we have had a fire, by which 17 houses have been wholly destroyed, and 11 partly so, whilst the property burnt or spoiled by water was valued at \$95,000. The number of fires is a large diminution on those which took place in the year before, and in 1886, and I think that the Brigade may fairly congratulate themselves on the manner in which those fires were put out. That only 17 buildings should be destroyed out of 21 fires is not, I think, a very large average, and I hope it shows that we are getting to do our work properly, and mastering the way of contending with these fires. As you know, in making arrangements for putting out fires it is necessary to think of many things beforehand, and what the officers in charge have been chiefly concerned with has been making use of the appliances we have, and adding to them, and using them in such a way as to get to fires quickly, and deal with them promptly. For instance, one great change has been made in the substitution of a broad-thread screw for the narrow-thread, which enables you to couple and uncouple hose much more quickly, and so on. That I consider one of the most important changes made during the last few years. Another change has been the introduction of what has been known as the "hydrant supply can," the use of which is to carry in a handy form all the appliances necessary for putting out fires, so that they may be taken quickly to the spot where they are wanted. For instance they contain extinguishers, hand pumps, lengths of hose, fire-plug keys, buckets,—in fact everything that you have in the larger engines, with the advantage that you can run down with them and use them at once. On the same principle is the "despatch-box," which you also have, and which, in the course of time, I hope will be very useful when we see the streets fully supplied with them. It has only been within the last few months that we have been able to rely upon even some of the street mains as a certainty, and in past years we have never known whether we should be able to find water in the mains or not. Even now our certainty is very limited, and we only feel it here and there, on the lower levels, in a westerly direction. In the other parts of the town we have to rely on the harbor for our supply, and go through the tedious process of pumping water from one engine up to another until the fire is reached. In the course of time I hope this will be changed, and we shall be able to place our whole reliance on the water from the street-mains. To-day you have seen four fine jets of water, all produced from the water-mains, so that now we know that at any time, if a fire takes place on this level, we can rely on that number of jets without perceptibly diminishing the pressure. In the course of the past year, I am sorry to say, we have sustained a great loss in the abandonment of the Volunteer Fire Brigade. They always rendered us great assistance, never failing to turn up, and we have felt their loss. In order to make up for it to some extent, certain changes have been made, among others the number of European firemen was increased, and some soldiers added to the Brigade, whilst the number of Chinese assistants was diminished. With regard to the soldiers, they have now had some months' practice in their duties, and have proved of great assistance. They are always well-behaved, and do their best at any fire, and I look on them as a great acquisition. With regard to the Brigade generally, I think the men

have shown very commendable zeal in the way they have turned up at the fire, and have done their best to extinguish them. But there is one point that I want to impress on you—that is the importance of "getting at" a fire. I have sometimes noticed that when fire is coming out at the top floor branch-pipes will be used from the level of the street, and the men will trust to the water reaching the top story, whereas if they would only take up the hose to the story they could put out the fire in a few minutes. The great thing is to get to the level of the fire, and in the readiest way possible. Sometimes you may want a ladder—sometimes you can get up inside the house. In all cases I should say that the best way was to get inside the house. Now that you are able to get to a fire with appliances so quickly there is no reason why you should not do so. I understand, of course, that when a house has been burning for some time the timbers become weakened, and there is a fear of the house coming down. But there is no fear when a fire is taken in time. I refer specially to a fire which occurred some weeks ago, in the early morning, in a lane near the Station, when the very top of the house caught fire, and although the Brigade turned out quickly, instead of going upstairs and playing one jet on the flames, they used three or four jets from the street, every one of which was wasted, the windows being shut and the water coming back into the street below. That is not the way. If the ladders had been got, and the hose taken into the house, the thing would have been put out at the beginning. It is the duty of the firemen to decide what steps shall be taken at the outset on these occasions. I have repeatedly observed you playing on the roofs of houses, but there is always a reluctance to get inside the building. If you once get inside, or on the roof, you have much more command over the fire than you can possibly have from the street. There is a marked improvement, I am glad to see, in the way in which you deal with fires, compared with the old style—I mean in the destruction of the timber-work. I am glad to see that at all fires now there is very little destruction of woodwork for the mere sake of destroying something, and none of the men venture to destroy anything unless they get orders from a superior officer, and it is necessary. Another point which I wish you to remember is not to flood the surrounding houses with water, and thereby do as much damage as if the flames had communicated with the premises at the outset. A very small amount of water is necessary, and it is only a destruction of property to play four or five streams on a fire when one would have been sufficient. It does not need a hose to put out a fire in a grate, and similarly, not more than one or two hoses are needed to extinguish a fire in a house. Water, remember, does just as much harm as fire, and we want to diminish destruction in every way—by fire and by water. However, that is a point on which I can give no order. I hope we shall all work together in the year now begun as we have done in the past, and diminish the loss sustained by fire in every way. Turning to the duties of the firemen, I have no orders to give without hesitation. After referring to the duties of the firemen and firemen, and the uses of the various appliances, Mr. Wodehouse concluded by expressing a hope that he might be able, in the report which it would be his duty to shortly present to H. E. the Governor, to conscientiously state that the Brigade were doing their duty properly, and were satisfied with their position.—The Brigade were then dismissed.

NOTES FROM CHINESE PAPERS.

The ring-leaders at the recent Soochow land tax fracas have been handed over to the authorities and they will be punished. The authorities sent down some soldiers in a native war-junk, which had the effect of quieting the disturbance.

We note that the Governor of the Yunnan Government Copper mines has engaged another Japanese mining engineer at the working, as the mine is so rich. Mr. Don-yuen-sun-zu, the new engineer, has already arrived at Hankow, and the Japanese Consul there entertained him, and he will soon start up river along with a Fokienese student. At the mines there are already two Japanese engineers, who were engaged some time ago.

On the 10th of this month the German Consul at Hankow went over in a green sedan-chair to see the Viceroy Chang Chi-tung at Wuchang. He was entertained by an expectant Tsoai, Tsai. Their conversation was on railway affairs; he discussed what hills should be levelled, creeks and rivers crossed, and valleys filled up, but the outcome of the interview we have not heard, but we understand that some mention was made of a German loan for the purpose of carrying out the project.

There was a serious landslide near Chinkiang recently, when over 200 feet of the river bank gave away, being attended with the loss of two lives. Formerly the place where this mishap took place was well populated; but on account of the frequency of this kind of slipping the people gradually moved away. On the night of the 10th of this month, a fishmonger with his family, an assistant and his son, with his wife, shut up their shop and went to bed. At about 12 o'clock, suddenly the land under them gave away, and they found themselves in water. The father and wife and the assistant managed to get on to a floating timber, and scrambled up, but the young couple were drowned.

Outside of the Chen Men in Peking, there has long existed a semi-official establishment, the object of which is to find out "fatted Ministers, and dutiful sons, honourable husbands, and virtuous wives," and cause their names to be brought to the notice of the Throne for the bestowal of a suitable reward. From this establishment, we glean some interesting information about a couple of centenarians residing in the Luan village, in the Yuan Ping district. The husband, a Mr. Yu, was born in the 49th year of Kien Lung's reign, and is consequently 105 years old. His wife, whose maiden surname was Yuan, was born in the 43rd year of the same reign, and is now in her 101st year. They have five children, three grand-children, and three great-grand-children. They are still hearty, and in sound health, retaining much of the energy of the younger days. The neighbours all bear testimony to their frugal habits, their kind treatment of others, and a most decided inclination for deeds of benevolence. The gentry and elders of their village have conjointly petitioned the district Magistrate, requesting him to take the necessary steps for bringing the names of this worthy couple to the notice of the Throne. The Magistrate, having substantiated by investigation the facts as above narrated, and submitted them to the Shun Tien Prefect, by whom the matter was transmitted to the proper authorities for memorialising the Throne. His Majesty has been pleased to grant a present of money and silks to this deserving couple, besides the necessary permission for the erection of an honorary portal, commemorative of their great age.

On 6th January appeared an Imperial Edict to the following effect:—I, K'o-ang-a, Military Governor of Heilongkiang (Amur province), have recommended the removal of restrictions against settlers from other parts of the Empire clearing ground for farms in Manchuria, and the Censor Yang Ch'ien having shortly afterwards advised the removal of the distressed families in Shantung to Manchuria for that object, the Emperor has called for reports from the Board of Admiralty and the Board of Revenue on the subject, and the Imperial decision is expressed in the following words:—"The cultivated mountains and plains in the three Manchurian provinces (Shinking, Kirin, and Amur) are where the Bannermen pasture their flocks and hunt the game. During the reigns of Kien Lung, K'ien K'ang, Tao Kwang, and T'ung Chi, (extending from 1736 to 1875) the will of Our Ancestors was repeatedly expressed, that squatters from other parts should not encroach on these pastures and hunting-grounds; and the suggestions made 60 years by Chinese and foreign officials (*chung-wai*) for the immigration of agricultural settlers have never been approved. . . . Let I-k'o-ang-a pay heed to the Edicts of K'ung Hsi and K'ung Hsi (1884 and 1887) reserving these lands in perpetuity for the Bannermen and nomads, and see to the carrying out of their injunctions with all his might and with all his strength. He is directed, however, to prepare maps, annotated with explanatory notes, showing where, in his opinion, agriculture might be advantageously pursued by the Bannermen themselves. Let him devote his best efforts to the improvement of the condition of these Bannermen, and the increase of their population. In no part of his province will agricultural immigration from outside be permitted."

It will be remembered that some time ago, the Imperial Government, being in one of its periodical economical moods, issued a sharply worded decree, in which it censured the custom of wasting the public money upon the maintenance of established officials and military officers. The decree was addressed to the Viceroy of provinces. We now find that His Excellency Chang Chi-tung has taken the lead regarding these Imperial hints to cut down expenses, by which the people of China are kept in a perennial condition of beggary, while the numerous class of unnecessary officials, who have nothing to do but to help each other to do it in regular form, are enriched. As is well-known, every high official has his vassal filled with his relatives to the ninth or tenth degree, who fill all the offices from the highest to the lowest. His Excellency Chang has given instructions to the Provincial Treasurer of his new Vicerealty to take charge of the numerous idling offices, with a view of effecting a retrenchment, while he has also ordered the judges of circuit to look more closely after the police department and other offices under their jurisdiction. The Salt Tanti has received instructions to look after the salt office, and the mode of collecting that tax, more closely, while His Ex. expresses his determination of reducing the number of small tax-collecting offices throughout the two provinces by closing up those whose existence does not seem to be of very great importance. By this means the people will be relieved of the irregular and excessive exactions of a host of petty officials. His Ex. has further notified the officials under him that as most of the people within his jurisdiction are suffering from the effects of the Autumn flood upon their harvest, there is an abnormal amount of hardship amongst them at present, which he fears will be increased as the winter progresses. He therefore urges the officials to each contribute something to the fund which he is starting in aid of the distressed people.

A GREAT INTERNATIONAL ANTI-SLAVERY CONGRESS.

Never in the history of modern civilization has such a Congress been convened in the interests of humanity as that which has just assembled in Brussels. The efforts of Cardinal Laviege, the Bishop of North Africa, have finally culminated in bringing together representatives from all the leading Powers of Europe as well as delegates from the United States, to consider what measures shall be taken to abolish the slave trade in Africa. It is not clear whether the crusade is to be one of peace or war. Cardinal Laviege is the apostle of freedom for Africa. But according to his recent declaration, he does not believe that the slave trade can be abolished without the employment of force. Probably no man understands better what is needed to arrest the horrors of the slave trade than the Bishop of North Africa. He has set his heart on accomplishing this work. With sufficient money and a comparatively small military force trained and disciplined for the work, he believes he can arrest this dreadful waste of human life and all the barbarisms of the inhuman traffic.

Perhaps the Cardinal is somewhat enthusiastic. When Gordon was appointed Governor of the Equatorial Provinces he had at heart the utter annihilation of the slave trade. He was a religious enthusiast. Obviously his purpose was to quell the rebellion in the Sudan and restore these provinces to Egypt. The latter country had from time immemorial furnished a market for slaves. Most of these came from the Equatorial Provinces. But the Khedive was quite willing to drop all the supposed advantages of this traffic if these Provinces could be restored to him. There was not an Arab slave trader in Central Africa who did not understand that, if Gordon once established a permanent rule there, the loss of the slave trade would be the ruin. Wherever he had an opportunity he set the slaves of rebels free. Khartoum had been one of the great centres of that trade. When he took possession of that city it ceased to have any interest in this traffic. The Arabs made common cause with the Mohammedan chiefs. The Mahdi held religiously that this traffic should be defended and preserved. There is not a Mohammedan chief in Africa who does not hold to the same doctrine.

Gordon's rule was broken down, and he was murdered within the walls of Khartoum. The slave traders and the Mohammedan fanatics and rebels had triumphed. Emin Bey, Gordon's chief supporter, retired to the provinces bordering on the Albert Nyanza and the Upper Nile. Here he ruled over three or four millions of people. Like Gordon, he practically abolished the slave trade in his dominions, or made it so difficult that it could not be carried on with any profit. He encountered there the same opposition in kind that Gordon had met and partially overcame at Khartoum. Emin Bey held sway for four years. He was a man of great faith for existence. He had given protection to the natives, broken down the slave traffic, and introduced industrial arts. The country was prosperous. But the powerful native chiefs outside of his dominions cut off all his communication with the East Coast of Africa. They understood that he was hostile to the slave traffic. They had thousands of slaves to sell every year. The slave caravans could follow the old routes from the Equatorial provinces to the East Coast. But no more caravan of Emin Bey could go over his routes if they could prevent it. They blocked his way for ten years or more. They reasoned that if his supplies were cut off it would only be a question of time when he would either surrender or abandon the country. According to recent dispatches, Emin Bey had been so reduced in resources that he was compelled to vacate his position, and was making his way to the East Coast. Here in Equatorial Africa there



Intimations.

## HONGKONG TRADING COMPANY, LTD.

(LATE THE HALL &amp; HOLTZ CO-OPERATIVE COMPANY, LIMITED.)

GREAT CLEARANCE SALE,  
NOW PROCEEDING,  
IN ALL DEPARTMENTS.

Hongkong, 14th January, 1890.

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## CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.

THE CHINA NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS will be observed at this Office and the Kowloon Customs Stations from the 29th of the 12th Moon, to the 8th day of the 1st Moon, at 11 A.M., 10th to 18th January, and during that period all Shipment, Discharge and Examination of Cargo will be suspended.

F. A. MORGAN,  
Commissioner of Customs  
for Kowloon and District,  
Custom House,  
Kowloon, 14th January, 1890. [134]

## HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

A GENERAL MEETING will be held on SATURDAY, the 18th inst., at 4.30 P.M., at the Cricket Pavilion, to consider the recommendation of the Committee that a Ball be given on MONDAY, the 27th inst., on the occasion of the visit of the Straits Cricket Team.

ARTHUR K. TRAVERS,  
Hon. Sec. H.K.C.C. [135]

## HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

MEMBERS desirous of entertaining the Singapore visitors at the Cricket dinner to be given at the CITY HALL, on the 25th inst., are informed that lists for signature are lying at the Cricket Pavilion and at the Hongkong Club. List will close on FRIDAY, the 17th inst.

ARTHUR K. TRAVERS,  
Hon. Secretary. [136]

## TO LET.

NOS. 75 and 79, WYNDHAM STREET. Apply to THE HEAD SHROFF of Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China. Hongkong, 14th January, 1890. [137]

## Amusements.

AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB. XMAS PANTOMIME. ALI BAHA AND THE FORTY THIEVES. BY special request there will be A PERFORMANCE OF THE ABOVE PANTOMIME ON THURSDAY EVENING, the 23rd January, 1890, at 9 p.m.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:  
Reserved Seats ..... \$2  
Unreserved Seats ..... \$1  
Tickets can be obtained at Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD's on and after Wednesday, the 15th January, Hongkong, 10th January, 1890. [111]

## Intimations.

THE CHINA AND JAPAN TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED.

LIST of Subscribers to the HONGKONG TELEPHONE EXCHANGE.

1.—Hongkong Telegraph Office.  
2.—Cantile, Dr. J. Queen's Road.  
3.—Cantile, Dr. Wm. Queen's Road.  
4.—Cantile, Dr. J. Victoria Peak.  
5.—C. & J. Telephone Co., Ltd.  
6.—Pooncecker, L. Robinson Road.  
7.—Arnold, Karberg & Co.  
8.—Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.  
9.—Chater and Vernon.  
10.—Peak Hotel & Trading Co., Queen's Road.  
11.—Daily Press.  
12.—Russell & Co.  
13.—E. B. A. and China Telegraph Co., Ltd.  
14.—Central Police Station.  
15.—Watson & Co., A. S. S. Co.  
16.—Douglas Laprak & Co.  
17.—Butterfield and Swire.  
18.—P. & O. Steam Navigation Co.  
19.—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.  
20.—Cruckshank, Wm., Pedder's Street.  
21.—China Mail.  
22.—Jordan, Dr. G. P., Pedder's Street.  
23.—Hongkong and China Gas Co., Ltd.  
24.—H. & W. Dock, Aberdeen.  
25.—Alice Memorial Hospital.  
26.—Holiday, Wm. & Co.  
27.—Holiday, J. F., Victoria Peak.  
28.—Peak Hotel.  
29.—Peak Hotel & Trading Co., Craigieburn.  
30.—China-Borneo Co., Ltd., Steam Saw Mill.  
31.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.  
32.—The Hongkong Hotel, Public Telephone.  
33.—Hancock, W. St. John H. C.F.  
34.—Cruckshank, Wm., Victoria Dispensary.  
35.—Brodie, Wm., Residence.  
36.—Ah Yon & Co., So, Praya Central.  
37.—Mackintosh, J., Residence.  
38.—The Borneo Co., Ltd.  
39.—Adamson, Bell & Co.  
40.—Dodwell, F.  
41.—Jordan, Dr. G. P., Residence.  
42.—Government House.  
43.—Hughes & Ezra.  
44.—Bellios & Co.  
45.—Bellios, E. R., Kingsclere.  
46.—Do, Victoria Peak.  
47.—Carlwright & Co.  
48.—The Imports and Exports Office.  
49.—Morris & Ray.  
50.—Layton, B., Residence.  
51.—Layton, Wm., Victoria Peak.  
52.—Webster, J. F.  
53.—Hartigan, Dr. W., Residence.  
54.—Victoria Hotel, Public Telephone.  
55.—Soy Sing.  
56.—Dakin Bros. of China, Ltd.  
57.—Stevens & Co., Geo. R.  
58.—do, Residence.  
59.—Subscription to Exchange \$30 per Annum.  
60.—Subscribers will oblige by correcting their Lists accordingly.

A. SANDFORD,  
Agent. [138]

## HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

THE KWOON KWAN YEN CHALLENGE CUPS, value \$200 and \$100 respectively. Also two Consolation Cups value \$50 each.

The Fifth Competition for the 1st Stage will take place next SATURDAY, the 18th inst., at 2.30 p.m., commencing at 3.00 yards.

A Launch will leave the P. & O. Wharf at 2 P.M., to take over intending Competitors.

The Second Stage will be shot off on Saturday, the 25th inst.

A. SHELTON HOOPER,  
Hon. Secretary,  
c/o Hongkong Club. [139]

## HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

THE TOP FLOOR of Gibb, Livingston & Co.'s Hong consisting of Five Specious Rooms and Three Bath Rooms suitable either as Offices or Dwelling Apartments.

For terms, apply to THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., Ltd. Hongkong, 14th January, 1890. [140]

## TO LET.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., Ltd. Hongkong, 14th January, 1890. [141]

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

ON and after February the First next, the FEES (payable monthly) at VICTORIA COLLEGE will be as under:—  
Class I. .... \$35 per annum.  
Class II. .... 24 " "  
Class III. .... 12 " "  
Other Classes. .... 12 " "  
By Command,

A. LISTER,  
Acting Colonial Secretary.  
Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Hongkong, 11th January, 1890. [122]

## NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED.

A DIVIDEND for the half year, ending 30th September has been declared at the rate of 6% per annum. Coupons attached to Gold Share warrants may be cashed and dividends on Silver Share warrants issued locally will be paid on and after 15th January at the Hongkong Branch Office.

H. A. HERBERT,  
Manager. [118]

## WANTED—A FURNISHED HOUSE for a few weeks—not at the Peak.

Apply to HOLIDAY, WISE & Co. Hongkong, 10th January 1890. [112]

## NOTICE.

A MEETING will be held in the CITY HALL, at 4.30 P.M., on THURSDAY next, the 16th inst., to decide what steps should be taken to perpetuate the Memory of the late lamented FREDERICK STEWART, LL.D., Colonial Secretary.

Any gentleman wishing to subscribe will communicate with the undersigned, ARTHUR K. TRAVERS, Hon. Sec. [115]

## HONGKONG, CANTON, A. D. MACAO STEAM COAST COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Forty-Seventh Ordinary Half-Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 14, Bank Buildings, Queen's Road Central, on FRIDAY, the 31st inst., at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and Electing Auditors.

By Order of the Board of Directors, T. ARNOLD, Secretary. [121]

## THE WEST POINT BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the CITY HALL, on THURSDAY, the 23rd January, 1890, at 12.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1889.

By Order of the Board of Directors, A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary to the Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd., General Agent, for the West Point Building Co., Ltd. Hongkong, 7th January, 1890. [100]

## THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Second Ordinary MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the CITY HALL, on THURSDAY, the 23rd January, 1890, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1889.

By Order of the Board of Directors, A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary. [101]

## CHAMPAGNE.

VIN BRUT, ROYAL CUVÉE, LEMOINE, AS SUPPLIED TO H.R.H. THE DUKE OF WALES, H.R.H. THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH, and to H.I.M. THE LATE EMPEROR FREDERICK OF GERMANY.

THE special feature of this Wine is that it is fermented juice of the grape solely, without the addition of candy, syrup, or liquor of any kind.

A Dry Champagne to be palatable must be made of the finest raw material—A Sweet Champagne can be made of almost any material. The excessive quantity of sugar in the latter makes completely its original character.

Natural Champagne will agree with persons to whom the Sweetened Champagnes are injurious; it is a true stimulant to mind and body, rapid, volatile, transitory, and harmless. This Natural Champagne is recommended as being really dry, not by means of artificial additions, but because in it, the natural process of fermentation has been completed.

Agents for Hongkong, DAKIN BROTHERS OF CHINA, LIMITED. [142]

No. 22 & 24, Queen's Road Central. [143]

## HONGKONG TRADING COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE.

As sufficient Shares have been applied for to float the above Company, the business will be taken over (in accordance with the Prospectus) from this date, in deference to numerous requests from intending Subscribers the Share List will be kept open until the 31st instant.

January 1st, 1890.

## Abridged Prospectus.

THE LIST WILL POSITIVELY CLOSE ON THE 31st INSTANT, 1890, AT 3 O'CLOCK.

## HONGKONG TRADING COMPANY, LIMITED.

(LATE THE HALL & HOLTZ CO-OPERATIVE COMPANY, LIMITED, OF HONGKONG).

CAPITAL ..... \$400,000, divided into 20,000 Shares of \$20 each.

\$5 payable on application; \$5 on allotment, and the balance at call on 3 months' notice being given. No call will be made for at least 6 months.

Solicitors: MESSRS. SHARP, JOHNSON & STOKES.

Bankers: HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Offices: HONGKONG, 37 and 39, Queen's Road. LONDON, 5 St. Benet Place, E.C.

Applications for Shares (accompanied by a deposit of \$5 per share) must be made on a printed form, and forwarded to the Company's Bankers, not later than the 31st January, 1890; should no allotment be made the deposit will be returned in full, and in case the number of shares allotted is less than that applied for, the surplus deposit will be appropriated towards the sum due on allotment.

Application Forms can be obtained at the offices of the Company's Bankers in Hongkong, Shanghai, and Canton Ports.

Hongkong, 13th January, 1890. [125]

## HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that on and after the 20th instant, all UNPAID CALLS will be chargeable with INTEREST at the rate of 12% per annum, to be calculated from the 16th November, 1889, and the same will be payable at the Company's Office.

Shareholders who have already paid the Call, but have not sent in their Bank receipts, are requested to do so without delay, together with Scrip for endorsement.

CHAS. F. HARTON, Acting Secretary. [108]

## WILL SHORTLY BE READY.

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Good Accommodation for M. M. Officers. Terms Moderate.

JAS. EDWARDS, Proprietor.

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PERSEVERANCE LODGE OF HONGKONG, No. 1165.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in FREEMASON'S HALL, Zealand Street, on THURSDAY, the 16th inst., at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely. Hongkong, 13th January, 1890. [127]

## Notices of Firms.

## NOTICE.

I, THE Undersigned, have for some years past carried on business and been commonly known as, and under the name of, MOSES SOLOMON SILAS, whereas my true and proper name is—

MOSES SOLOMON SILAS SASSOON.

NOW notice is hereby given that on and from this date I shall discontinue the use of the name of MOSES SOLOMON SILAS, and resume the name of MOSES SOLOMON SILAS SASSOON, and will sign all contracts, documents, and letters in such name only.

MOSES SOLOMON SILAS SASSOON, otherwise MOSES SOLOMON SILAS SASSOON. Hongkong, 27th December, 1889. [41]

## NOTICE.

THE Partnership between HOLMES and PRYNNE, Solicitors, is dissolved by mutual consent as from the 1st instant, and the business will be carried on by the undersigned, HENRY J. HOLMES, Solicitor.

Hongkong, 11th January, 1890. [119]

## NOTICE.

MR. JOHN MEIER has been admitted a Partner in our Firm this date.

KRUSE & Co. Hongkong, 1st January, 1890. [71]

## NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day commenced Business as a SHARE & GENERAL BROKER.

Marine House. J. GRANT. Hongkong, 1st January, 1890. [73]

## NOTICE.

MR. OSCAR NOODT has been admitted a Partner in our Firm on the 1st of July last.

A. SCHOMBURG & Co. Hohiow Pakhoi 1st January, 1890. [76]

## NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the late Mr. ERNST CARL LUDWIG REUTER in our Firm ceased on the 31st December, 1889.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & Co. Hongkong, 1st January, 1890. [65]

## Insurances.

THE STANDARD A SCOTTISH LIFE OFFICE of 63 YEARS STANDING, AND ONE OF THE WEALTHIEST OF THE PROVIDENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM.

WHEN it is remembered that a Life Assurance Contract may not fall to be fulfilled for a quarter or even half a century after being entered into, it will be readily understood how important it is to the Policyholder that the past record as well as the present management of the Office should be of the highest possible character.

The Standard has a long record of past good services to refer to; its Funds, annually increasing, amount to £6,000,000; and all modern features consistent with safety have been adopted.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents, Hongkong.

FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, OF 1877 IN HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & Co., Agents. Hongkong, 1st July, 1889. [56]

## GENERAL LIFE AND FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY IN LONDON.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE and LIFE at Current Rates.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & Co., Agents. Hongkong, 1st July, 1889. [57]

## THE INDIAN IMPERIAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at Current Rates.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co. Hongkong, 5th November, 1889. [23]

## NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000.

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on Goods, &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN, Secretary. HEAD OFFICE, No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST, Hongkong, 1st February, 1889. [152]

## GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED).

CAPITAL TAELS 600,000; \$33,333-33-33. EQUAL TO ..... \$318,000.00.

RESERVE FUND ..... \$318,000.00.

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LEE SING, Esq. LO YUEN MOON, Esq. LOU TEO SHUI, Esq.

MANAGER—HO AMEL.

MARINE RISKS ON GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the world.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST, Hongkong, 17th December, 1889. [149]

have been two memorable failures to maintain a humane and civilised government in opposition to that of the slave traders. This failure was further accentuated by the defeat of the British in their attempt to restore the Sudan to the Khedive.

The King of Belgium expended a vast sum in founding the Free State of Congo in the heart of Equatorial Africa. The independence of that State has been acknowledged by nearly all the leading Powers. No slave caravan can pass through this State, nor is slavery tolerated in any part of it. All that traffic which found its way to the West Coast, near the mouth of the Congo, and for several hundred miles on either side, has been practically abolished. But on the eastern side, and around the great lakes, it is apparently as active as ever. When the slave caravan reaches the East Coast the slaves disappear. But European nations have now taken nominal possession of more than a thousand miles of that coast. The strangest fact is that with all the barriers which the civilised world has set up against the slave trade in Africa, it has not in recent years been greatly abridged. It has overcome the forces that have been arrayed against it. The whole Sudan country has, with the fall of Gordon and Emin Bey, been restored to the slave power.

The new stand is now made in the free State of Congo. Since all the nations represented in the Congress at Belgium have acknowledged the independence of this State, and have constantly furnished guarantees for its preservation, it required but an additional step to make a formal declaration against the slave power which has been making war on civilisation, and to follow up that declaration with substantial means for its suppression. There is hardly a doubt that the State of Congo will be menaced by all the influences which are to-day enlisted in support of the slave traffic in Central Africa. Cardinal Lavergne, with the support of the King of Belgium, has gained the first victory in convening this Congress of Nations. He does not believe that moral suasion alone will ever work out the release of Africa from the clutches of the slave trade. The latter has to-day the moral backing, and largely the direct support, of all the Mohammedan religions. The planting of colonies in the heart of Africa involves their defence. All the ground in this way will some day be wrested away and dedicated to freedom. The purpose of the International Congress is to hasten that day.—San Francisco Bulletin.

## HANDS UP!

## AN EXPERIENCE WITH A LONE HIGHWAYMAN.

"Hands up!"

Two revolvers looked me squarely in the face. I was at a disadvantage, and seeing the gentleman meant business, my hands went up instantly.

But this lone highwayman was in a dilemma. He wanted my money and valuables—how was he to get them? With my hands above my head I could not extract them, and his own hands could not be spared from "covering" me. It was a truly disagreeable position for both of us.

"Hand me yer cash!"

I dropped my hands toward my inside coat pocket. The pocket was stuff'd with papers—how did the gentleman in front of me know I had no pistol concealed there?

Looking him squarely in the eye I read his anxiety.

"Put them hands up!" he yelled.

I respectfully reminded him that I could not have my hands in two places at one and the same time, but as he appeared to show a decided preference for the elevated position, my hands went up again.

"Hev ye got a gun?" but yer clothes?"

"I smiled indulgently, but made no reply.

"Say, you," continued my captor, "I ain't to be fooled with. Hev ye got a gun—yes 'r no."

"If I say yes it will not alter matters in the least. If I say no you'll think me lying. I am not fooling with you, Lord knows, and you 'ouldn't fool with me."

He spoke the truth and he was visibly affected. He kept his pistols and his eyes upon me, but I could see he was thinking the matter over. After a few minutes he put one pistol in his belt, tightened his grip on the other, and advanced in my direction.

"He's going to search me himself," I thought



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 Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—198 per cent. premium, buyers.  
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 The Hongkong Highland Railway Co., Limited—200 per cent. prem., sellers.  
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 The Seng Kee Planting Co., Ltd.—\$61 per share, buyers.  
 Crick & Co., Ltd.—\$40 per share, nom.  
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 The Green Island Cement Co. (New Issue)—\$61 per share, buyers.  
 The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Ltd.—\$105 per share, sellers.  
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**OPIMUM MARKET.—THIS DAY.**  
 NEW MALWA, per picul... \$550  
 (Allowance, Tals 40 to 52).  
 OLD MALWA, per picul... \$560  
 (Allowance, Tals 40 to 48).  
 NEW PATNA, (without choice) per chest... \$517 1/2  
 NEW PATNA, (first choice) per chest... \$520  
 NEW PATNA, (bottom) per chest... \$527 1/2  
 NEW PATNA, (second choice) per chest... \$515  
 OLD PATNA, per chest... \$500  
 NEW BARRACKS, (without choice) per chest... \$515  
 NEW BARRACKS, (bottom) per chest... \$515  
 NEW PERSIAN (best quality) per picul... \$525  
 OLD PERSIAN (best quality) per picul... \$525

**MAILS EXPECTED.**  
**THE FRENCH MAIL.**  
 The Messageries Maritimes Co's steamer *Natal*, with the next French mail, left Saigon on the 13th instant at 6 a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 16th.  
**THE AMERICAN MAIL.**  
 The P. & O. S. S. Co's steamer *China*, with the American mail of 26th ultimo, left Yokohama for this port on the 11th inst. at noon, and may be expected here on or about the 17th.  
**THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.**  
 The F. & A. S. S. Co's steamer *Tannadice*, left Port Darwin on the 7th instant, and may be expected to arrive on the 17th.  
**THE CANADIAN MAIL.**  
 The Canadian Pacific steamer *Abyssinia*, from Vancouver, left Yokohama on the 7th inst. for Nagasaki and Hongkong.

## STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The 'Glen' line steamer *Glenlyon*, from London, left Singapore on the 5th instant, and is due here on the 14th.  
 The 'Ben' line steamer *Bengalee*, left Singapore on the morning of the 7th instant, and is due here on the 12th.  
 The steamer *Braconshire*, from London, &c., left Singapore on the 7th instant, and is due here on the 13th.  
 The P. & O. S. N. Co's extra steamer *Kashgar*, from Bombay, left Singapore on Friday, the 10th instant at 5 p.m., and is expected here on the 17th.  
 The Ocean Steamship Co's steamer *Hector*, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the morning of the 11th instant, and is expected here on the 18th.  
 The D. D. R. steamer *Hesperia*, from Hamburg, &c., left Singapore at 1 p.m. on the 11th instant, and is due here on the 18th.  
 The 'Ben' line steamer *Benlawers*, from Leith and London, left Singapore on the 11th instant for this and Japan ports.  
 The P. & O. S. N. Co's extra steamer *Bombay*, left London for this port on Saturday, the 28th ultimo.

## Shipping.

**ARRIVALS.**  
 KWANGLEE, Chinese steamer, 1,508, R. L. Lincoln, 14th Jan.—Shanghai 10th Jan., General.—C. M. S. N. Co.  
 ALWINE, German steamer, 400, A. Bendixen, 14th Jan.—Hohow 12th Jan., General.—Wider & Co.  
 CHEUNG HEE, British steamer, 937, Scott, 14th Jan.—Singapore 2nd Jan., and Hohow 12th Jan., General.—Chinese.  
 ALTCAR, British bark, 1,283, R. Magrath, 14th Jan.—Newcastle, N.S.W., 29th Nov., Coals.—Butterfield & Swire.  
**CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.**  
 ALWINE, German steamer, for Hohow.  
 Michael Tegen, German steamer, for Saigon.  
 Cheung Hye Teng, for Saigon.  
**DEPARTURES.**  
 January 13, *Ingraben*, German str., for Saigon.  
 January 13, *Glencaster*, British steamer, for Shanghai.  
 January 13, *Aphenade*, British steamer, for Nagasaki.  
 January 14, *Yohann*, German str., for Tournon.  
 January 14, *Yokohama*, Chinese str., for Shanghai.  
 January 14, *Namoa*, British steamer, for Swatow, &c.  
 January 14, *Soochow*, British str., for Hohow.  
 January 14, *Michael Tegen*, German str., for Saigon.  
 January 14, *Bellerophon*, British steamer, for Shanghai.  
 January 14, *Shanghai*, British steamer, for Nagasaki, &c.  
**PASSENGERS—ARRIVED.**  
 Per *Kwanglee*, str., from Shanghai.—Messrs. Taylor, Andrews, Thompson, Lincoln, and 16 Chinese.  
 Per *Altcar*, bark, from Newcastle, N.S.W.—Mrs. Magrath.  
**REPORTS.**  
 The Chinese steamer *Kwanglee* reports that she left Shanghai on the 10th instant. Had fresh north-east gale with heavy sea.

## Post Office.

**A MAIL WILL CLOS.**  
 For Europe, &c., India, via Bombay.—Per *Oriental*, to-morrow, the 15th instant, at 11.00 A.M.  
 For Singapore, Batavia, Samarang, and Sourabaya.—Per *Almora*, to-morrow, the 15th instant, at 2.30 P.M.  
 For Kobe.—Per *Choytang*, to-morrow, the 15th instant, at 3.30 P.M.  
 For Bangkok.—Per *Hongkut*, to-morrow, the 15th instant, at 5.00 P.M.  
 For Swatow, Amoy, and Tamsui.—Per *Formosa*, to-morrow, the 15th instant, at 5.00 P.M.  
 For Manila.—Per *Diamante*, on Thursday, the 16th instant, at 3.30 P.M.  
 For Saigon.—Per *Lennox*, on Thursday, the 16th instant, at 4.30 P.M.  
 For Nagasaki via Suez Canal.—Per *Bentley*, on Thursday, the 16th instant, at 5.00 P.M.  
 For Nagasaki, Kobe, and Yokohama.—Per *Verona*, on Thursday, the 16th instant, at 5.00 P.M.  
 For Yokohama, and San Francisco.—Per *Gaelic*, on Saturday, the 18th instant, at 0.30 P.M.  
 For Europe, &c.—Per *Bayern*, on Saturday, the 18th instant, at 5.00 P.M.  
 For Europe, &c., Australia, Madras, Calcutta, and Mauritius.—Per *Saghalien*, on Wednesday, the 22nd instant, at 11.00 A.M.  
 For Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne, and Adelaide.—Per *Tannadice*, on Friday, the 24th instant, at 3.30 P.M.

## SHIPPING IN HONGKONG.

**STEAMERS.**  
 ACTIV, Danish steamer, 355, N. C. Revsbeck, 5th Jan.—Haiphong 1st Jan., and Hohow 3rd Jan., General.—Arnold, Karberg & Co.  
 ALMORA, British steamer, 1,711, T. J. Grier, 13th Jan.—Amoy 12th Jan., General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.  
 AVOCHIE, British steamer, 1,034, T. Rowlin, 24th Dec.—Bangkok 12th Dec., Rice.—Morris & Co.  
 BENVENUE, British steamer, 1,495, Thompson, 6th Jan.—Kobe 31st Dec., Coals and General.—F. Naudin & Co.  
 CAMBODIA, British steamer, 1,064, Wildgoose, 31st Dec.—London, and Singapore 25th Dec., General.—Russell & Co.  
 CHINA, German steamer, 642, Bruhn, 30th Dec.—Singapore, and Hohow 29th Dec., General.—Melchers & Co.  
 CHOW-CHOW-FOO, German steamer, 795, F. Flenden, 3rd Jan.—Swatow 3rd Jan., General.—Melchers & Co.  
 CHOYANG, British steamer, 1,194, Sauer, 3rd Jan.—Java 23rd Dec., Sugar.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.  
 DIAMANTE, British steamer, 514, G. Taylor, 6th Jan.—Manila 3rd Jan., and Amoy 8th Jan., General.—Russell & Co.  
 DIAMOND, British steamer, 1,038, J. Lampert, 9th Jan.—Penang and Singapore, 30th Dec., General.—Bun Moh.  
 FAME, German steamer, 117, W. W. Allan—Hongkong Government tender.  
 FRECHER, Chinese steamer, 643, E. Piper, 9th Jan.—Formosa 6th Jan., General.—Sander & Co.  
 FRICHTON, British steamer, 504, James Price, 8th Jan.—Nagasaki 4th Jan., Coals.—W. Hewitt & Co.  
 FIDELIO, German steamer, 858, Bensen, 13th Jan.—Hohow 11th Jan., General.—Melchers & Co.  
 FORMOSA, British steamer, 674, T. Hall, 11th Jan.—Manila 8th Jan., General.—Russell & Co.

## HONGKONG—STEAMERS.

**Continued.**  
 GAELE, British steamer, 4,209, W. G. Pearce, 9th Jan.—San Francisco 24th Dec., and Yokohama 3rd Jan., Mails and General.—O. & O. S. S. Co.  
 KUNPAT, Chinese steamer, 602, Clifford, 4th Dec.—Wuhu 29th Nov., Rice.—C. M. S. N. Co.  
 LENNOX, British steamer, 1,327, Swinerton, 9th Jan.—Nagasaki 5th Jan., Coal and General.—Adamson, Bell & Co.  
 MONOKUT, British steamer, 860, Jas. Fowler, 11th Jan.—Bangkok 2nd Jan., Rice, and General.—Yuen Fat Hong.  
 NANZING, British steamer, 808, B. Thomson, 3rd Jan.—Manila 1st Dec., General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.  
 ORIENTAL, British steamer, 2,711, E. Stewart, 13th Jan.—Shanghai 11th Jan., Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.  
 PAKSHAN, British steamer, 985, E. Stovell, 13th Jan.—Anbin 3rd Jan., Rice.—Hop Hing Hong.  
 PHU-QUOC, French steamer, 183, Vallin, 2nd Sept.—Tournon 20th Sept., Coals.—Wing Tai & Co.  
 PICOTAT, German steamer, 875, Th. Nissen, 12th Jan.—Bangkok 25th Dec., Rice.—Melchers & Co.  
 PILOT FISH, British steamer, 161, A. Stopani—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.  
 POLLUX, German steamer, 891, H. Hellmuth, 13th Jan.—Saigon 5th Jan., General.—Melchers & Co.  
 TAICHONG, German steamer, 828, P. Duhme, 12th Jan.—Saigon 6th Jan., Rice and Paddy.—Tung Kee.  
 TAISSAN, British steamer, 1,505, W. H. Jackson, 12th Jan.—Wuhu 7th Jan., Rice.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.  
 VERONA, British steamer, 823, 13th Jan.—from Yokohama, Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.  
 WINGSANG, British steamer, 1,517, A. de Ste. Croix, 7th Jan.—Calcutta 20th Dec., Penang 26th, and Singapore 29th, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

## SAILING VESSELS.

CATHARINE, Danish brig, 251, Hansen, 20th Dec.—Donsil 5th Dec., Blackwood.—Siemens & Co.  
 CHAROKER, American ship, 1,379, D. S. Goodell, 18th Jan.—San Diego, Cal., 18th April, Ballast.—Russell & Co.  
 COLOMA, American bark, 843, C. M. Noyes, 6th Dec.—Portland 10th Oct., and Honolulu 8th Nov., Lumber.—Idler.  
 CONQUEROR, American ship, 1,450, A. D. Lohrop, 17th June.—Anjer 1st June, and Swatow, Reuter, Brockmann & Co.  
 C. C. CHAPMAN, American ship, 1,570, A. J. Hiebhorn, 18th Dec.—Sandakan 24th Nov., Timber.—Order.  
 CUMBRING, British ship, 1,052, A. Waycott, 22nd Nov.—Middleboro 22nd Iron and Cake.—Dunn, Melbye & Co.  
 EMPRESS, British bark, 235, Wm. A. H. Allen, 10th Dec.—Fremantle 17th Nov., Sandilwood.—Siemens & Co.  
 ERLKONIG, Chinese bark, 457, Oplum Examination bulk, Stonecutters' Island.—Chinese Customs.  
 ESCORT, American bark, 635, R. G. Waterhouse, 10th Jan.—Rijang 10th Dec., Timber.—Captain.  
 GEORGETTA, American bark, 436, F. Kartie, 2nd Jan.—Albany, W.A., 16th Nov., Sandalwood.—Gilman & Co.  
 GRAY ADMIRAL, American ship, 1,497, J. F. Bavel, 30th Nov.—San Francisco 8th Oct., Flour.—Melcher & Co.  
 HANS, German schooner, 120, G. A. Hansen, 2nd Dec.—Matupi 25th Sept., General.—Blackhead & Co.  
 HEINRICH, German bark, 929, G. Blesener, 11th Dec.—Hamburg 13th July, General.—Carlowitz & Co.  
 ICEBERG, American ship, 1,135, Treat, 2nd Dec.—New York 18th July, Kerosene Oil.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.  
 ISABEL, Norwegian bark, 1,265, S. Hegge, 14th Dec.—Shanghai 9th Dec., Ballast.—Order.  
 JOHANN KREMER, German schooner, 250, H. Jagers, 13th Jan.—Amoy 11th Jan., Ballast.—Order.  
 J. W. FIDELICH, German ship, 1,108, G. Meyer, 4th Dec.—Newcastle 26th Oct., Coals.—Captain.  
 KITTY, British bark, 802, H. Wilson, 30th Aug.—Portland, Oregon 9th July, Lumber.—D. Musso & Co.  
 LILLIE BAKER, American bark, Carly, 22nd Dec.—Newcastle, N.S.W., 2nd Nov., Coal.—Order.  
 LOIDE, Hawaiian bark, 750, M. Moresca, 21st Dec.—Albany, W.A., 9th Nov., Sandalwood.—Order.  
 N. M. SLADE, American bark, 535, J. C. Teixeira, 1st October.—Cebu 4th Sept., Sugar and Hemp.—Captain.  
 OSAKA, British bark, 517, T. Jones, 20th Dec.—Albany 16th Nov., Sandalwood.—Order.  
 REMBRANDT, American ship, 1,341, J. D. Paine, 22nd Dec.—New York 1st August, Kerosene Oil.—Russell & Co.  
 STATE OF MAINE, American ship, 1,467, Nickels, 19th Dec.—New York 4th August, Petroleum.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.  
 S. MENDEL, British bark, 1,137, Gower, 21st Dec.—Whampoa 21st Dec., General.—Wieder & Co.  
 SWAN, American brig, 250, Basse, 25th Dec.—Yap (Caroline Islands) 16th Dec., Ballast.—Moore and Stenund.  
 W. H. LINCOLN, American ship, 1,695, M. J. Daly, 12th Jan.—Yokohama 27th Dec., Kerosene Oil.—Russell & Co.

## RIVER STEAMERS.

Faishan, British steamer, 2,260, S. W. Goggin, Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.  
 Hankow, British steamer, 2,235, Lloyd.—Butterfield & Swire.  
 Ho-nam, British steamer, 1,377, G. B. Lefavour.—Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.  
 Kiang-ping, Chinese steamer, 360, Holmes.—China Merchants S. N. Co.  
 Kin-kiang, British steamer, 617, W. E. Clarke.—Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.  
 Kiang-chow, British steamer, 288, McIver.—Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.  
 Pasi, Chinese steamer, 284, J. P. Slavers.—Tok Kee (aid up for repairs).  
 Pawan, British steamer, 1,800, J. P. Hoiland.—Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.  
 White Cloud, British steamer, 527, W. J. Risby.—Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.

## WHAMPOA.

AMOI, German steamer, 814, Th. Lehmann, 11th Jan.—Shanghai 8th Jan., General.—Siemens & Co.  
 MEXICO, Chinese steamer, 1,289, Lunt, 6th Jan.—Shanghai and Amoy, 1st January, General.—C. M. S. N. Co.  
 SOOCHOW, British steamer, 990, Quill, 12th Jan.—Wuhu 7th Jan., Rice.—Butterfield & Swire.  
 YVESANG, British steamer, 1,105, Slesser, 11th Jan.—Shanghai 7th Jan., and Swatow 10th, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

## STEAMERS EXPECTED IN HONGKONG.

FROM.	DATE DUE.	AGENTS.
Glenlyon, London	January 14th	Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Bengalee, London	January 14th	Gibb, Livingston & Co.
Braconshire, London	January 15th	Arnold, Karberg & Co.
Abyssinia, London	January 15th	Adamson, Bell & Co.
Kashgar, London	January 16th	P. & O. S. N. Co.
Natal, London	January 16th	Messageries Maritimes.
China, London	January 17th	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.
Benlawers, London	January 17th	Gibb, Livingston & Co.
Hector, London	January 17th	Russell & Co.
Hesperia, London	January 18th	Butterfield & Swire.
Hesperia, London	January 18th	Siemens & Co.

## STEAMERS LOADING IN HONGKONG.

DESTINATION.	VESSELS.	AGENTS.	DATE OF LEAVING.
London, &c., via Suez Canal	Oriental	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-morrow, at noon.
London, via Suez Canal	Telamon	Butterfield & Swire	January 19th.
Marseilles, via Saigon, &c.	Saghalien	Messageries Maritimes.	Jan. 22nd, at noon.
Bremen, via Ports of Call.	Bayern	Melchers & Co.	Jan. 10th, at 10 a.m.
New York, via Suez Canal	Denbighshire	Adamson, Bell & Co.	About 20th Jan.
San Francisco, via Yama	Bacony	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Jan. 17th, daylight.
San Francisco, via Yama	Gaelic	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	Jan. 18th, at 1 p.m.
Vancouver, B.C., via I.	Abyssinia	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Jan. 30th, at 1 p.m.
Port Darwin, &c.	Tainan	Butterfield & Swire	Feb. 6th, at noon.
Queensland Ports, &c.	Sikh	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Jan. 20th, at 4 p.m.
Sydney, Melbourne, &c.	Tannadice	Russell & Co.	Jan. 24th, at 4 p.m.
Sandakan, Kudat, &c.	Almora	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	About Jan. 31st.
Singapore, Batavia, &c.	Memnon	Butterfield & Swire	About Jan. 31st.
Kobe and Yokohama	Verona	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Jan. 17th, daylight.
Nagasaki, Kobe, &c.	Benlawers	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	About Jan. 18th.
Shanghai, via Swatow	Choyang	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	To-morrow, at 4 p.m.
Manila (direct)	Bacony	Butterfield & Swire	January 17th.
Swatow, Amoy, &c.	Nagasaki, Kobe, &c.	Adamson, Bell & Co.	About Jan. 16th.
Swatow	Nagasaki, Kobe, &c.	Messageries Maritimes.	Jan. 16th, at noon.
	Yuesang	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Jan. 16th, at 4 p.m.
	Diamante	Russell & Co.	Jan. 16th, daylight.
	Formosa	Douglas Laprak & Co.	Jan. 15th, at 6 p.m.
	Nanshan	Hop Hing Hong	

## Intimations.

**INTIMATION.** HONGKONG HIGH LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LTD.  
**TIME TABLE.**  
**WEEK DAYS.**  
 8 to 10 A.M. every quarter of an hour.  
 12 to 2 P.M. every half hour (Tiffin Car at 12.45).  
 3 to 7.30 P.M. every quarter of an hour.  
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 NIGHT TRAMS at 10.30 and 11 P.M.  
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 NIGHT TRAMS at 8.45, 9.30, 10.30, 11 P.M.  
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 10.40 A.M.; 12 (NOON) to 2 P.M. every quarter of an hour.  
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 Hongkong, 1st November, 1889. [510]

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 Hongkong 20th May, 1889. [130]

**NOTICE.**  
 FROM this date and until further notice Dr. A. GILLMORE SMITH will take charge of the DENTAL PRACTICE of the undersigned.  
 DRS. WINN & KIMBALL  
 Hongkong, 10th January, 1890. [114]

**NOTICE.**  
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 TSANG SAM of the Tsang Ye-sing Shop  
 Hongkong, 8th January, 1890. [105]

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 A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary.  
 Victoria Buildings, Hongkong, 3rd May, 1889. [159]

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**NOTICE.**  
 TOWSIA OR KOKUREN. Telegraphic address—FULLERT, Nagasaki. FULLERT, Kobe. 13th November, 1889. [29]

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